

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Applicant's representative thanks Examiner Ridley for the courtesy extended in the telephone interview conducted on February 9, 2005. During that interview, the Examiner confirmed that claims 1-18 were allowed. In addition, applicant's representative pointed the Examiner to various text in the original patent describing the frame and conveyor belt.

Applicant has adopted the Examiner's suggestion and submitted replacement Figure 1 which represents frame 17 as a function block pointing to the shaft 14 and a conveyor belt 15 pointing to the conveyor idler 12. This amendment to Figure 1 should overcome the Examiner's objection under 35 U.S.C. §132 because it was agreed during the interview that there was no new matter in such an amendment to Figure 1. There is clearly support for frame 17 and conveyor belt 15 in column 5, lines 5-16 and column 8, lines 51-55, for example.

Claims 19-43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

As discussed during the interview, the claim language "...the shaft...fixed to a frame..." finds the clear support in the original specification at column 5, lines 5-16 and column 8, lines 51-55, for example. Withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph is respectfully requested.

The application is in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

In the drawing, please replace sheet 1 of 10 with the following replacement sheet.

Figure 1 has been amended to include a conveyor belt function block 15, with an arrow pointing to the conveyor idler 12, a shaft 14 extension, and a frame function block 17 with an arrow pointing to the shaft extension.

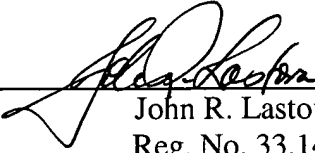
Attachment: Replacement Sheet

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